

California Horse Racing Board

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION
TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of September 10, 2019 through September 15, 2019.

Tuesday
9/10/2019

(1) ENTRY DAY

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Friday, September 13, 2019. Racing Secretary Jay Conklin and his crew finalized the draw at 2:00 pm. One (1) Thoroughbred and six (6) Quarter Horse races will be contested. Forty-six (46) horses are scheduled to compete. Steward Grant Baker is on duty to oversee entries and declarations this week in the Stewards' office.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fourth race in the book, California Bred Quarter Horse maidens, three and up, claiming \$10,000, was called off with one (1) entry.

Wednesday
9/11/2019

(1) ENTRY DAY

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Saturday, September 14, 2019. Eight (8) races will be carded and the draw was completed at 1:45 pm. Forty-six (46) horses are scheduled to start. Assistant Director of Racing Scott Craigmyle handled the scratch board this morning in the Racing Office. There was one (1) scratch and two (2) equipment changes made. All changes were activated at the 9:00 am deadline.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fourth race in the book, California Bred Quarter Horse maidens, three year olds and upward, claiming price \$16,000, was called off with no entries.

Thursday
9/12/2019

(1) ENTRY DAY

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Sunday, September 15, 2019. Nine (9) races will be carded. The draw was completed at 1:30 pm. Seven (7) divisions of the PCQHRA Futurity Trials will be contested. Sixty-seven (67) horses are scheduled to start.

Scratch time for Saturday also took place in the racing office this morning. The one change (blinkers off) was activated at the 9:00 am deadline.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fourth race in the book, California Bred Quarter Horse maidens, three years old and upward, claiming \$10,000, was called off with no entries.

Friday
9/13/2019

(1) ARMANDO CERVANTES FILM REVIEW (REF:9/8/19 (9))

Jockey Armando Cervantes appeared in the Stewards' office to review his ride in the fifth race on Sunday, September 8, 2019. Jockey Cervantes was aboard #3 Drivven who finished second but was disqualified and placed third in this quarter horse race going three hundred (300) yards. Steward Ron Church chaired this film review in which Jockey Cervantes makes a fairly swift effort to correct his errant departure from the starting gate, where original third place finisher #2 Wingn It (Carlos Huerta) was bumped and cost an opportunity for a better placing. In a unanimous decision, the respectful Jockey Cervantes was complimented for his efforts and excused without penalty.

(2) ALBERTO ZEPEDA RULING

Ruling # 240

JOCKEY ALBERTO ZEPEDA IS FINED ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$150.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-SECOND OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE RUNNING OF THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2019.

Jockey Alberto Zepeda appeared in the Stewards' office for film review and was issued a penalty for his ride aboard #3 Wave a Topper who finished fifth in the seventh race on Sunday, September 8, 2019. The Stewards felt Jockey Zepeda violated Rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop) in this three hundred (300) yard Quarter Horse race. In a unanimous decision, the ruling above was issued.

(3) SMOOTH CARD

Today's seven (7) race card went well as it was free of Stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections.

(4) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race Declarations #2 Indy's Dynamo (Tr. J. Lopez) – Unsound – Becky Fitzgerald, DVM
#4 Super Journey (Tr. J. Lopez) – Unsound – Becky Fitzgerald, DVM. Refund Total: \$429.60

1st Race No Show Wagering

1st Race Jockey Change #5 Fast Lane Larry, F. Orduna-Rojas for J. De La Torre – No Show

1st Race #1 Ballycastle (Tr. R. Rosales) claimed, S. Rivera, trainer

2nd Race #3 Arts Obsession (Tr. T. Knight) claimed, R. Guillen, trainer

3rd Race #2 Hangar 24 (Tr. J. Cooper) claimed, R. Guillen, trainer – VOID – Unsound

#6 Escalating (Tr. J. Flores) claimed, Jose Hernandez Jr., trainer

4th Race Declaration #2 Caerus (Tr. J. Flores) – Entered Back – Stewards. Refund: \$1,020.70

(5) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	532	\$89,601.00
Off track	1,710	\$313,151.60
Out of state	N/A	\$531,656.60
Total	2,242	\$934,409.20

Saturday
9/14/2019

(1) FIRST RACE OBJECTION

Following the running of the first race, Jockey Vinnie Bednar, who rode the third place finisher #6 G Money Rules, lodged a jockey's objection against the second place finisher, #1 Marie's Mystere (Ramon Guce), for alleged interference at the 1/8th pole.

Following this 4 ½ furlong thoroughbred race, the Stewards reviewed replays of the alleged incident where the aforementioned two (2) horses are entering the stretch. #5 Sharp Image lugs out with #6 G Money Rules immediately to her outside. After reviewing all replay angles and talking to both jockeys involved, the Stewards, in a unanimous decision, allowed the original placings to stand. No Change.

(2) FIFTH RACE STEWARDS' REVIEW

Track Announcer Chris Griffin announced that a 'Stewards' Review' would be conducted into the start of this Quarter horse race that was contested at a distance of 330 yards. Of particular interest were the actions of sixth (last) place finisher #3 Macs Tac (Juan Pablo Leon) who left the starting gate very slowly. Race replays show #3 Macs Tac 'false break' a split second before Starter Gary Brinson dispatched the field. This horse was subsequently off very slowly. The Stewards determined there was no mechanical malfunction or human error involved. After communication with Starter Brinson via two-way radio, the Stewards declared #3 Macs Tac an 'official starter'. No Change.

(3) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race #1 Marie's Mystere (Tr. A. Vallejo) claimed, S. Naranjo, trainer

1st Race #6 G Money Rules (Tr. K. Craigmyle) claimed, A. Aquino, trainer

1st Race Declaration #3 Warm Love (Tr. J. Nunez) – Sick – Gary Beck, DVM. Refund: \$322.00

2nd Race Declarations #3 Empire May (Tr. E. Baze, II) – Injured – Becky Fitzgerald, DVM

#5 Slew The Waters (Tr. G. Ruffu) – Unsound – Gary Beck, DVM. Refund Total: \$338.00

2nd Race No Show Wagering

4th Race Jockey Change #1 VF First Prize Mama, C. Huerta for J. Pablo Leon –No Show

5th Race Declaration #1 Feenomion (Tr. J. Flores) – Sick – Gary Beck, DVM. Refund: \$853.00

(4) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	739	\$112,400.10
Off track	1,669	\$342,230.00
Out of state	N/A	\$642,963.59
Total	2,408	\$1,097,593.69

Sunday
9/15/2019

(1) ERASMO GASCA RULING

Ruling # 241

JOCKEY ERASMO GASCA IS FINED THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$350.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-FOURTH OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2019.

The Stewards issued the ruling above in what was a unanimous decision. Jockey Erasmo Gasca, who rode #7 Red Hawk Cartel to a second place finish, violated CHRB Rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop) for the fourth time in a sixty (60) day period.

(2) PCQHRA BREEDERS FUTURITY TRIALS

Seven (7) divisions of the PCQHRA Derby Trials were held tonight at Los Alamitos. The Paul Jones trained #4 Mental Error (Ramon Sanchez) won the ninth race covering the three hundred and fifty (350) yards in 17.435 seconds. He was the evening's fastest qualifier.

(3) SMOOTH CARD

Tonight's nine (9) race card went well as it was free of Stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections.

(4) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race Declaration #4 Rhemy Marko (Tr. J. Farias) – Injured – Becky Fitzgerald, DVM
Refund: \$192.00

3rd Race Jockey Change #2 Javelina Cantina, O. Andrade Jr. for C. Huerta- Sick

4th Race #4 Reason Enuf should read 'Gelding'

5th Race Jockey Change #5 Foxys First Kiss, E. Gasca for C. Huerta- Sick

6th Race Declaration #7 Favorite Illusion (Tr. V. Zamudio) – Flipped in Paddock – Becky Fitzgerald
DVM. Refund: \$2,513.00

7th Race Declaration #5 Shez Divine (Tr. P. Jones) – Flipped at gate – Becky Fitzgerald, DVM
Refund: \$9,908.00

9th Race Declaraion #3 Mia Cartel (Tr. J. Nunez) – Sick – Gary Beck, DVM. Refund: \$453.00

(5) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	587	\$112,529.80
Off track	1,627	\$316,138.00
Out of state	N/A	\$815,764.26
Total	2,214	\$1,244,432.06

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on September 15, 2019. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period, 11 horses were added to the Veterinarian's list as follows: 4 for soundness, 4 for injury, and 3 for sickness. Seven horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward Grant Baker.

2019
SUMMARY

	Wed	Thurs	Fri 9/13	Sat 9/14	Sun 9/15	Week	Meet
Accidents	D		0	0	0	0	4
Cal-Bred Races	A		0	0	0	0	23
Claims	R		3	2	0	5	206
Disqualification	K		0	0	0	0	28
Inquiries		D	0	1	0	1	58
Refunds		A	3	4	4	11	335
Rulings		Y	1	0	1	2	240
Voided Claims		S	1	0	0	1	42

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards Grant Baker, James Dreyer, Ron Church and Safety Steward David Nuesch were in attendance during this reporting period.

Grant Baker, Steward

James Dreyer, Steward

Ron Church, Steward

David Nuesch, Safety Steward